



## Vault story (with a twist)



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### Chapter 1 by Selena Raynee

I'm going to experiment a bit with this story, because it's a beginning of a complete story I've written some time ago.

I'm not going to post a link to my complete story right now, but somewhere along the way of our alternative Story Wars version I will - and I think it'd be fun to compare the two versions :)

Who will guess where I am going with this? :)

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Milton Meyers was from the 12th generation.

He was born approximately 400 years after his ancestors hid underground from the Disaster that ruined their world.

Or at least that's what he had been told.

Growing up in an isolated bunker that didn't have enough resources for repairs, he learned to value every little scrap of metal and every drop of water. Water they still miraculously extracted from the underground recycling. See more of Story Wars

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facility, but time and lack of maintenance resources were wearing the system down. Most of the machines and computers were still operating; though if they could operate at full capacity, it'd be a miracle indeed.

When Milton was five years old, parents took him to the only learning institution people had in bunker (the institution they still called 'school' though no one could say what it really meant back in the good times) and he had to pass a test to determine his future occupation.

A smiling old lady checked his ability to read and write, asked tons of strange questions Milton couldn't make sense of, and then proclaimed that his profession-to-be is maintenance engineer. Just like his dad's.

Milton was happy, because he admired dad's work; his pregnant mother wasn't as happy. She always thought her husband's work was too dangerous and didn't provide all the benefits it should.

That day dad told him not to worry. Milton would certainly become one of chief maintenance engineers and would be able to live on the upper deck of the facility.

He remembered his mother's troubled face when he first set his foot from their cabin to go to school. She didn't live to see him finish it; actually, she didn't live much longer. As he understood later, his mother died in labor giving birth to his baby sister, which didn't live long too.

## Chapter 2 by Jake



The life of a maintenance engineer was not a glamorous one, but it was respected among the community. Without the engineers, the facility would surely have been unlivable and everything the ancestors had built would be for nothing.

Milton took to his new profession like a fish to water. He quickly escalated the ranks and soon became section supervisor. His section was power and water recycling. He took his job very seriously and had a reputation for being strict but fair among his direct reports. He hadn't always been this way, but after his father's death in a steam accident, he receded into himself

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leave your sleeping quarters outside your designated hours, but being an electrician, he was able to hack the security system to make it think he was still in his dwelling.

Each excursion brought out memories that he kept hidden. He remembers his mother fretting over his curiosity about the bunker. He remembers his father telling him ancient stories of what life was like before the Disaster. The description of grass, flowing water, sunlight, and mountains made him wonder.

As he began to discover more secrets about his sector of the bunker, he began making discoveries that led him to question what he's been told. There was always a mystery surrounding the Disaster and creation of the bunker. No one seems to know what is happening above. If anyone is monitoring the outside world, they aren't telling anyone outside of the 5 leaders, the group of 5 Elders who oversee all activities in the bunker.

The past 3 months, his mistrust began to grow. There were markings and writing on the walls of his secret tunnels. He couldn't make it out, because the language was foreign to him, but the drawings were terrifying and drove him to do something drastic.

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